NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE REPEAL AND PROMULGATION

AGENCY: Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. Sections 6172 and 6192

RULE REPEAL AND PROMULGATION: DMR Regulation 95.04 FF, Closed Area No. 52, Prospect Harbor and Corea Harbor, Gouldsboro, promulgated on September 19, 1994, is repealed and replaced with the following rule:

TEXT OF RULE: DMR Regulation 95.04 FF, Closed Area No. 52, Prospect Harbor and Corea Harbor, Gouldsboro

- 1. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of Prospect Harbor and Corea Harbor, in the Town of Gouldsboro, Hancock County, within the following three areas:
 - (A) Northwesterly of a line that begins on the most southeastern tip of Prospect Point and runs northeasterly to the Coast Guard navigational aid "Gong 3" (east of Clarks Ledge), then continues across the mouth of Prospect Harbor to the lighthouse on the southern tip of Prospect Harbor Point. This closure includes the shores of Pettees Point, Clark Point and the Inner Harbor.
 - (B) Northeast of a line beginning at a red-painted post at the northwest mouth of Shark Cove, and extending southeasterly to a red-painted post on the southeasterly mouth of Shark Cove.
 - (C) Northwesterly of a line beginning on the southern most tip of Cranberry Point, then extends northeasterly to the most northern prominence on Sheep Island (one of the Sally Islands), then continues northwesterly to the most northeastern prominence of Youngs Point Island.

Violation of any provision of this regulation shall be a Class D Crime (12 M.R.S.A. Section 6204).

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 20, 1999

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STATEMENT OF FACT AND POLICY

The Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources repeals the emergency DMR Regulation 95.04 FF Closed Area No. 52, Prospect Harbor and Corea Harbor, Gouldsboro, promulgated on September 19, 1994, and replaces it with a new regulation. This new regulation opens the waters and shores of Sand Cove and the western shores of Cranberry Point to shellfish harvesting. This results from the removal of a licensed overboard discharge and recent review survey in the area.

Department personnel have determined that the presence of multiple licensed overboard discharges on the shores of Pettees Point, Clark Point, Inner Harbor, Shark Cove and Corea, pose a threat to public health from harvested shellfish.

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Legal Notice of Shellfish Closure Area For: Gouldsboro

Closed Area No. 52, Prospect Harbor and Corea Harbor, Gouldsboro.

